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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE09/ 9/5436
9/ 9/5436**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INSURING DELIVERY OF ELECTRONIC
DOCUMENTS IN A NETWORK DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM**

5 A method, apparatus, and computer implementable
instructions for insuring delivery of an electronic
document in a data processing system. A request is
received from a requestor to insure delivery of the
electronic document. In response to receiving the
request, a payment amount to insure delivery is
10 identified based on network characteristics of a network
in which the electronic document is to be transmitted.
An acknowledgment of the electronic document is sent to
the requestor, wherein the acknowledgment includes the
payment amount. The electronic document is delivered in
15 response to receiving a reply to the acknowledgment from
the requestor accepting the identification of the payment
amount. The requestor is notified of a successful
delivery of the electronic document in response to
receiving an acknowledgment from the recipient.

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